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SUBJECT: SITUATION IN CHAD

IN FIRST INCIDENT OF URBAN TERRORISM, HANDGRENADE WAS EXPLODED
IN REAR OF LOCAL THEATER DURING EVENING MOVIE ON AUG. 19. TWO
PERSONS, ONE CHADIAN, AND ONE FRENCH, WERE SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.
IN A STATEMENT LEFT AT SCENE, REBEL THIRID ARMY TOOK
CREDIT FOR BLAST. THIRD ARMY, RADICAL SPLINTER GROUP OF AEX
FROLINAT, WAS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR KIDNAPPING OF TWO EUROPEAN
STUDENTS NEAR NIGERIAN BORDER EARLIER THIS YEAR.

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PERPETRATORS OF THE GRENADE INCIDENT WERE NOT APPREHENDED.
EARLY MORNING ROADBLOCKS AND VEHICLE SEARCHS BY GOVERNMENT
FORCES WERE WITHDRAWN BY NOON, AND CITY REMAINS CALM.

UP UNTIL THIS ATTACK REBELLION IN CHAD HAD BEEN ALMOST COMPLETELY
FREE OF INDISCRIMINATE TERROR. THERE HAD BEEN OCCASIONAL
ATTACKS AGAINST INDIVIDUAL LEADERS, SOLDIERS, POLICEMEN,

(ONE POLICEMAN WAS KILLED AND ANOTHER WOUNDED IN ATTACKS EARLIER IN THE WEEK), BUT THERE HAD BEEN NONE AGAINST MORE GENERALIZED, NON-SPECIFIC TARGETS.

BASED ON A COMBINATION OF THE MILITARY STALEMATE, FRICTION WITHIN REBEL MOVEMENT, AND GOVERNMENT OVERTURES TO NON-FROLINAT LEADERS, AND LIBYAN PROPENSITIES TOWARDS TERRORISM, A TURN OF THIS NATURE HAS BEEN PREDICTED FOR SOME TIME. IT HAS APPARENTLY BEEN AVOIDED UP UNTIL NOW, BECAUSE OF FROLINAT LEADER GOUKOUNI'S OPPOSITION TO ATTACKS AGAINST "ARAB" CITIES LIKE N'DJAMENA. WHILE THERE IS NO WAY OF KNOWING WHETHER YESTERDAY'S ATTACK WILL BE FOLLOWED BY OTHERS (THE RESOURCES OF THE THIRD ARMY ARE EXTREMELY LIMITED), WE HAVE WARNED ALL AMERICANS TO AVOID PUBLIC GATHERING PLACES.

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